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In re the application of: Matthew L. Bisque et al.

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For: SYSTEM FOR OPERATING AN ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY OVER A

NETWORK

AMENDMENT UNDER C.F.R. 1.111

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to an Office Action Summary dated January 7, 2005, please see the following amended claims and remarks offered to place the subject patent application in condition for allowance.

EXTENSION OF TIME

Enclosed is a USPTO Credit Card Payment Form for \$60.00 for a one month extension of time from April 7, 2005 to May 7, 2005.

STATUS OF THE APPLICATION

Claims 1, 10 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Claims 1-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious based on a published patent application U.S. 2004/0047036 to Baun et al. in view of U.S. Patent 19041971 6,556,241 to Yoshimura et al.

An addition is made to the specifications of an earlier filed provisional application and related to the subject invention.